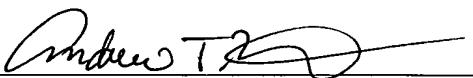
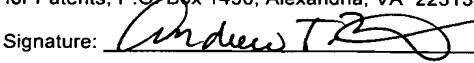
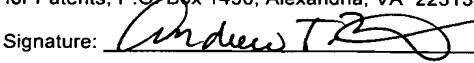
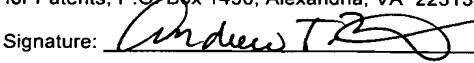


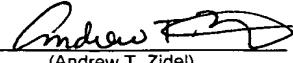
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In response to the Office Action mailed November 15, 2004, applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.